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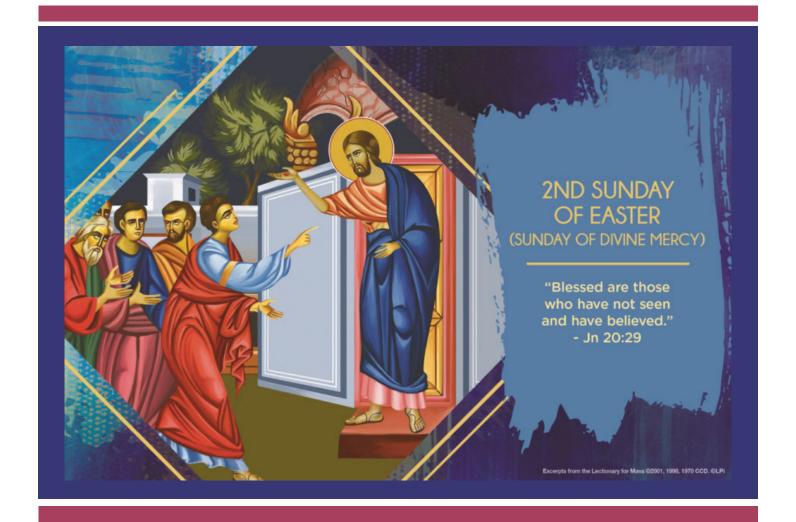


783 Hard Road, Webster, New York 14580

April 27, 2025 Second Sunday of Easter (Sunday of Divine Mercy)

Mission Statement

St Paul's Parish Family exists for the purpose of witnessing and proclaiming the message of Jesus Christ, that message proclaimed in word, worship, service: love God, love your neighbor as yourself.



Mass Times

Saturday at 4:00 p.m. Sunday at 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Daily Masses

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday at 8:30 a.m.

Confession

Saturday at 2:00-3:00 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday at 9:00 a.m.

Live Stream Mass via YouTube

Saturday at 4:00 p.m. Sunday at 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.



Monday, April 28 **Easter Weekday** 8:30A Mass

Tuesday, April 29 St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor of the Church No Mass

12:00P Rosary Group

Wednesday, April 30 Easter Weekday

No Mass No Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7:00P Choir rehearsal

Thursday, May 1 Easter Weekday

8:30A Mass

Friday, May 2 St. Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor of the Church No Mass 8:00A Vac Pac

Saturday, May 3 Sts. Philip & James, Apostles **Birthday Blessing During Mass** 10:00A Prayer Shawl 2:00P Confession 4:00P Mass 5:00P Wine Tasting

Sunday, May 4 3rd Sunday of Easter **Birthday Blessing During** Masses

9:00A Mass 10:00A SOR classes 10:00A Coffee & Donut Hour 10:00A Confirmation Prep class vrs. 1 & 2 11:00A Mass 12:00P Coffee & Donut Hour



Parish Staff

Pastor: Fr. Paul Gitau **Deacon:** Mark Robbins

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8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Monday-Friday

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Financial Snapshot

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	March 2025	July 2024-March 2025		
Collections	\$25,740	\$382,320		
Donations/ other revenue	\$5,200	\$35,580		
Expenses	\$46,100	\$402,100		
Operating surplus/deficit	\$(15,100)	\$15,800		

Let Us Pray for Those in the Military

Josh Bartlett Jason Aman **Bryan Gross Cydney Blong** Tom Weisenreder Michael J. Desiato Mason Serrano **Daniel Thomas** Andrew Zani **Robert Wright**

Jay Riesenberger





This week the Sanctuary Lamp burns for Matthew Conrad From Pat & Tom Conrad



Early this past Monday, April 21, 2025, I awoke to an announcement by Cardinal Kevin Farrell, camerlengo of the Roman Catholic Church. "At 7:35 this morning, the bishop of Rome, Francis, returned to the house of the Father that the Holy Father." The announcer continued, "The Pope of love and mercy is dead."

Those sad words, somewhat surprising but not totally unexpected, provided an answer to my prayer as I prepared this reflection for Divine Mercy Sunday. The focus of the papacy of Pope Francis centered on the mercy, forgiveness and love of God. Let us take time to reflect on a few of his thoughts and writings and "focus on living our lives according to his example."

"God never tires of forgiving us; we are the ones who tire of seeking his *mercy*."

"Sin is more than a stain. Sin is a wound; It needs to be treated, healed. The place where my encounter with the *mercy of Jesus* takes place is my sin."

"Mercy will always be greater than any sin, no one can put a limit on the love of the all-forgiving God."

"The Church must be a place of *mercy* freely given, where everyone can feel welcomed, loved, forgiven, and encouraged to live the good life of the Gospel."

"Today I ask you in the name of Christ and the Church, never tire of begin merciful."

"Anyone seeking God's love or mercy can receive it."

And finally, here a few excerpts from the Pope Francis' Apostolic Letter "Misericordia et misera" written at the conclusion of the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy, November 2016.

<u>Mercy</u> is always a gratuitous act of our heavenly Father, an unconditional and unmerited act of love. Consequently, we cannot risk opposing the full freedom of the love with which God enters into the life of every person. **Mercy** is this concrete action of love that, by forgiving, transforms and changes our lives. In this way, the divine mystery of **mercy** is made manifest. **God is merciful** (cf. Ex 34:6); his mercy lasts forever (cf. Ps 136). From generation to generation, it embraces all those who trust in him and it changes them, by bestowing a share in his very life.

This is the time of mercy. Each day of our journey is marked by God's presence. He guides our steps with the power of the grace that the Spirit pours into our hearts to make them capable of loving. It is the time of mercy for each and all, since no one can think that he or she is cut off from God's closeness and the power of his tender love. It is the time of mercy because those who are weak and vulnerable, distant and alone, ought to feel the presence of brothers and sisters who can help them in their need. It is the time of mercy because the poor should feel that they are regarded with respect and concern by others who have overcome indifference and discovered what is essential in life. It is the time of mercy because no sinner can ever tire of asking forgiveness and all can feel the welcoming embrace of the Father.

Rest in Peace, Holy Father March 13, 2013-April 21, 2025

Bonnie

WINE Tasting Hosted by Parkway Wine & Liquor

Saturday, May 3 at 5:00 p.m.



Join us in the parish hall for a fun FREE night of adult fellowship with snacks and appetizers (water and coffee will also be provided) Parkway Wine will be presenting a variety of wines with an option to order anything that you liked.

This 21+ event is FREE but registration is REQUIRED (We are limiting this event to 100 people). Please sign up on the bulletin board outside the office or call the office @671-2100.



Mother's Day Flowers

We invite you to make a donation towards the purchase of plants and flowers to decorate the church, in memory or honor of your loved ones, for Mother's Day.

Please make checks payable to "St. Paul's Church" adding "Mother's Day Flowers" on the memo line. Be sure to include who the donation is in memory/honor of; and who it is from. Please have your requests to the parish office by Monday, May 5.

Contact Jodie or Kasey with questions at 671-2100 or email at:

jodie.hickey@dor.org or Kasey.baker@dor.org.







Together, we changes lives this Lent through CRS Rice Bowl. **THANK YOU** for bring a part of this effort. If you haven't already, please return your Rice Bowl to the parish office or if you wish to donate via check, please make checks payable to St. Paul's Church adding Rice Bowl on the memo line. Thank you for your support.



While Fr. Paul attends the Diocesan Priest Convocation there will be no daily Mass on Tuesday, April 29 and Wednesday April 30. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is also canceled on Wednesday April 30.

Carlo Acutis Movie

Fathom Entertainment is presenting the movie Carlo *Acutis: Roadmap to Reality*. Carlo, a teenager, software developer and known for his devotion to the Eucharist is the first millennial Saint. The movie debut coincides with Carlo's canonization which is scheduled for April 27 during the Jubilee of Teenagers in Rome. Showtimes are at AMC Theater in Webster: April 27 at 4:00 p.m., April 28 at 4:00 p.m. and April 29 at 7:00 p.m.

Jubilee 2025 Pilgrims of Hope Pope Francis' Prayer for Young People

Lord Jesus... your Church turns her attention to all the young people in the world.

We pray that they might boldly take charge of their lives, aim for the most beautiful and profound things of life and always keep their hearts unencumbered.

Accompanied by wise and generous guides, help them respond to the call you make to each of them, to realize a proper plan of life and achieve happiness. Keep their hearts open to dreaming great dreams and make them concerned for the good of others.

Like the Beloved Disciple, may they stand at the foot of the Cross, to receive Your Mother as a gift from You.

May they be witnesses to your Resurrection and be aware that you are at their side as they joyously proclaim you as Lord.

Amen!

Thank you!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

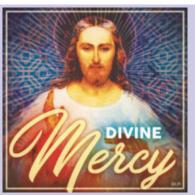
We at Immanuel are so thankful for all your help and support of the Weekend Backpack Ministry! This ministry has been in existence since March 2011. Donations such as yours make it possible for the program to remain sustainable. At the present time we are providing over 100 bags of food each week to students in all 7 Webster central elementary schools. The students who receive the bags are identified by school staff as someone who arrives at school Monday morning hungry. It is very hard to learn when you are hungry. Many of these kids have reduced or free breakfast and lunch but there might not be much food in the cupboard at home. Since this is a self directed program, there are no requirements other than a signed permission from their responsible adult. We strive to include food that is kid-friendly, higher in calories and easy to prepare.

The food that you provided will easily provide almost 2 weeks worth of bags and some extra snacks as well. We are appreciative of all the work by your Good Sam Outreach and parish members!

You are all a blessing to our community and the children living in it!

May God continue to bless you,

Deb Huehn Immanuel Lutheran Church



Jesus, I trust in You

Most Merciful Jesus, whose very nature it is to have compassion on us and to forgive us, do not look upon our sins but upon our trust which we place in Your infinite goodness. Receive us all into the abode of Your Most compassionate Heart and never let us escape from it. We beg this of You by Your love which unites You to the Father and the Holy Spirit. Eternal Father, turn Your merciful gaze Upon all mankind and especially upon poor sinners, All enfolded in the Most Compassionate Heart of Jesus. For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, Show us Your mercy, That we may praise the omnipotence of Your mercy Forever and ever. Amen.

Communion for Homebound



When bringing Communion to the homebound, please wait until after Mass to receive the Consecrated Host from Fr. Paul or Deacon Mark.
Thank you for your cooperation.



Get your singing voices ready....it's almost the first weekend of the month! Please join us at Mass next weekend, May 3 & 4 as we celebrate May birthdays. Fr. Paul will give a special blessing followed by the congregation singing Happy Birthday. You don't want to miss it!

Ministry Schedule for May 3 & 4, 2025

If **TBD or Volunteer Needed** is listed, please contact the ministry coordinator to see if that position still needs to be filled. Thank you for all you do for St. Paul's!

	4:00 PM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
Acolytes	TBD TBD	TBD TBD	TBD TBD
Cantors	TBD	TBD	TBD
ЕМНС	Don Oinen Ellen Oinen	Maggie Milner Trisha DeBacco	Fred Compertore Ellen Santora
Greeters	TBD TBD	TBD TBD	TBD TBD
Lectors	Linda Pratt	Ann Grieb	Kay Vargo
Linens	Margie Cress (no specific time for pick up)		
Sacristans	Olbrich family	DA Hutnick	Laure Barr
Stream Team	Rod Campbell	Sue Muto	Chris Yuskiw
Ushers	Sue Dettman Alice Bower	TBD TBD	Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed



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